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Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail Express
Priority Mail Express Contract 64

Docket No. MC2018-212

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Priority Mail Express Contract 64 (MC2018-212)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2018-294

PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS ON POSTAL SERVICE REQUEST TO ADD PRIORITY MAIL EXPRESS CONTRACT 64 TO THE COMPETITIVE PRODUCT LIST

(August 24, 2017)

The Public Representative hereby provides comments pursuant to an initiating notice.¹ In that notice, the Commission established the above referenced docket to receive comments from interested persons, including the undersigned Public Representative, on a Postal Service request to add Priority Mail Express Contract 64 to the competitive product list.²

The Postal Service's Request includes a Statement of Supporting Justification, a certification of compliance with 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a), and a copy of Governor's Decision No. 11-6. The Postal Service also filed (under seal) a contract related to the proposed new product, and supporting financial data.

The Public Representative has reviewed the instant contract and the financial data filed under seal that accompanies the Postal Service's Request. Based upon that review, the Public Representative concludes that Priority Mail Contract 64 should be categorized as a competitive product and added to the competitive product list.

¹ Notice Initiating Docket(s) for Recent Postal Service Negotiated Service Agreement Filings. August 22, 2018.

² Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Priority Mail Express Contract 64 to Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing Materials Under Seal. August 21, 2018 (Request).

The contract is expected to remain in effect for a period of three years.³ The Commission has an opportunity to conduct an annual compliance review in its Annual Compliance Determination.

The Public Representative concludes that the Priority Mail Express Contract 64 satisfies the criteria of section 3642(b), concerning the classification of new competitive products, and complies with the requirements of section 3633(a), concerning rates for competitive products.

The Public Representative respectfully submits the foregoing comments for the Commission's consideration.

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³ The contract may be (1) terminated by either party with 30 days' notice to the other party in writing, (2) renewed by mutual agreement in writing, (3) superseded by a subsequent contract between the parties, (4) ordered by the Commission or a court, or (5) required to comply with subsequently enacted legislation. Request; Attachment B at 5.